

THE WEATHER
Partly cloudy with probably snow
bursts tonight or Friday;
continued cold.

THE DAILY TELEGRAM.

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A WANT AD.
RESULTS GUARANTEED

ESTABLISHED 1861.

CLARKSBURG, W. VA., THURSDAY, JANUARY 7, 1909.

PRICE TWO CENTS.

TRAINS COLLIDE HURTING MANY

JUSTICES MUST REPORT ALL FINES

Tax Commissioner Townsend
Sends Out Letters to
All the Justices.

ATTENTION IS CALLED
To New Law Admonishing All
That Fines Must Be Re-
ported as Soon as Imposed

State Tax Commissioner T. C. Townsend has written a letter to the justices of the peace of West Virginia, recalling that it is the duty to turn over all fines, immediately after their collection to the sheriffs of the several counties.

To his own personal knowledge, this provision of the law, says the Tax Commissioner, has been disregarded in some instances. In making his last biennial report, former State Tax Commissioner White also called attention to the delinquency of the justices of the peace over the State in accounting for the fines they collected in the following language:

"There is a widespread belief in this state that fines imposed by the courts are not properly accounted for. How well founded the belief is, I am not prepared to say. The statute makes it the duty of the State Tax Commission to look after the collection of fines, but we have never been able to give much attention to this subject. The machinery provided for the collection of fines has been inadequate. When the uniform system of accounting has been put into effect, however, it ought to have the effect of increasing largely the collection of fines. Under this system every dollar in fines imposed and collected can be checked up. More careful attention will be given this matter in the future than in the past, because the state now has adequate machinery to enforce collections from this source."

The present Tax Commissioner, Mr. Townsend, calls attention to the law relating to the subject, as follows:

"January 5, 1909.

To Justices of the Peace:
Gentlemen:—The law makes it the duty of the State Tax Commissioner to look carefully after the collection of fines. In this connection I desire to call your attention to section 229 of chapter 50 of the Code. Please note the following language:

"All fines which accrue to the State, collected or paid in any proceeding under this chapter from the justice of the peace, shall immediately be paid by the justice receiving the same to the sheriff of the county. If any justice shall fail therein, he shall forfeit twenty dollars for every offense."

"To my own personal knowledge this provision of the law, in some instances, has been disregarded. I write at this time, at the beginning of your term of office, to say that my duty compels me to ask that you strictly conform to the requirements of this statute."

"Very truly yours,
T. C. TOWNSEND,
State Tax Commissioner."

NOT AFRAID

Of Any Threats by Dent Trippett and Peace Warrant is Dismissed.

Dent Trippett, of Pittsford, Minn., was arrested there by Constable L. M. James and taken before Justice George H. Gordon late Wednesday afternoon on a peace warrant sworn out by James Williams. He was tried immediately. Mrs. Elizabeth Williams, the defendant's mother, testified that Trippett came to their home the night of January 5, talked impudently to her and became disorderly whereupon she seized a broomstick and chased him away. She said he threatened to beat and kill her son. The latter, however, testified that Trippett did not say threatening words to him and that if he should Williams would not be afraid of him in consideration of which the justice dismissed the case.

Mr. Lloyd Saunders of Parsons-Saunders Company, will leave for New York Saturday evening, January 9, in the interest of the cloak and suit department. Mr. Saunders will be pleased to look after any "specials" for the patrons of the store, by continuing with him at once.

CLOTHING

Is Taken By Thief Who Dons Same and Leaves His Own.

For the second time within a few months the Clarksburg Pressing Company has suffered a loss by burglary.

A thief broke into the company's establishment on Third street Wednesday night, picked out the most suitable and desirable outfit of clothing he could find and donned then after divesting himself of his own clothing which he left on the floor. The articles taken by the unwelcome visitor consisted of a fine overcoat, a new suit of clothes that had never been worn, and two pairs of trousers. The loss is about \$60.

Entrance into the shop was gained by raising a side window after breaking one of the panes.

The proprietors notified the city police department as soon as they found that this place had been robbed and officers inspected the premises. They found several clues and will endeavor to apprehend the person who is suspected.

SUCCESSOR

To Carothers of the B. & O. May Be a Pittsburg District Engineer.

Paul Didier, district engineer of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad with headquarters at Pittsburg, may succeed D. D. Carothers, who died last Friday, as chief engineer of the Baltimore & Ohio system. The name of A. W. Thompson, chief engineer of maintenance of way, has also been mentioned in connection with the office.

Mr. Didier is one of the best known engineers on the Baltimore & Ohio system. He has been located in Pittsburg for many years and has had charge of all construction work in Western Pennsylvania. Mr. Thompson who was formerly division engineer, was promoted to chief of the maintenance department some time ago, succeeding J. B. Dickson, resigned.

DEPOSITIONS TAKEN

In the Case of Burke Against the United States Express Company.

Attorney J. E. Law and Edgar W. Davala have been in New York, where the former spent several days taking depositions in the Burke case against the United States Express Company, seeking to compel the company to receive C. O. D. liquor shipments. The case is pending in Judge Goff's court. Mr. Davis returned home a day or so ago and Mr. Law came home this morning.

FATALLY INJURED BY FALLING BIT

Linville's Head is Horribly Mashed and Neck Possibly Broken.

Ford Linville, aged about 30 years, a water well driller, residing in the Reynolds addition to the city, was fatally injured at 11:30 o'clock this forenoon at Northview.

While engaged in erecting a rig at the place of Albert Chardard there, the bit of the drilling outfit fell on his head and neck, mashing the former horribly and possibly breaking the latter.

Linville died from his injuries at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon. He leaves a wife and two children.

GIRL BABY ARRIVES.

W. E. Elwood, the popular traveling salesman, is quite jubilant over the arrival of a bouncing girl baby at his home at 329 Clay street Wednesday night and is receiving numerous congratulations over the happy event.

Parkersburg Accommodation Pushed Against Freight By Train No. 3.

REAR COACH DAMAGED

Passengers Sustain Cuts and Bruises and One Woman Has Arm Broken.

Several passengers were injured, but none seriously, when westbound St. Louis Train No. 3 on the Baltimore & Ohio railroad had a head-on collision with the eastbound accommodation train No. 14 from Parkersburg at a switch at Wilsonsburg Thursday morning.

The injured. MRS. WHITEHAIR, of Wolf Summit, arm broken, slight cuts and severe bruises.

R. G. LORD, of Columbus, O., both hands severely cut and other bruises.

J. G. COLEMAN, of Parkersburg, hands and arms cut, bruises and sprains.

MRS. ED. TRAINER, of West Union, wife of the sheriff of Doddridge county.

J. M. SUMMERS, of Louisville, Ky., badly jarred and probably injured internally.

The accommodation was backing into the switch in order to let the express train pass on the main track. A freight train had preceded the accommodation into the switch. The accommodation train was not quite off the main track when No. 3 arrived at that point and the engines crashed together, the impact driving the accommodation train back against the freight. The rear coach of the accommodation train, which was well filled with passengers, was smashed up considerably, the windows being broken, seats torn from their fastenings and woodwork splintered. Some of the passengers were violently thrown across the car and severely bruised besides being cut by broken glass and splinters.

The injured passengers were given medical attention at the Clarksburg depot when the accommodation arrived there. All were able to walk and after their injuries were dressed they continued on their journeys.

No one of the train crews was hurt save for a few bruises and scratches and all those on train No. 3 escaped injury. The pilot of No. 3 was torn off.

Passengers who were in the rear coach of the accommodation train say it was miraculous that no one was killed or even seriously injured. Two women who had entered the rear coach just a moment before the collision had narrow escapes, but neither was hurt.

OFFICIALS SAY B. & O. RUMOR IS UNTRUE.

Baltimore & Ohio railroad officials at Grafton denounce the rumor that the Grafton shops would be moved to Clarksburg as being wholly without foundation. They state that extensive improvements would be made in both the Clarksburg and Grafton yards but the shops will not be taken from Grafton.

DRUGGISTS ORGANIZE

Association is Formed for Advancement of Local Pharmaceutical Interests.

At a meeting held at the Waldo hotel Wednesday night, retail druggists of the city organized the Clarksburg Association of Retail Druggists, an organization similar to the county medical society. It is a successor of the old Harrison County Druggists Association which flourished here several years ago. The objects are the mutual betterment of their trade conditions and the exchange of helpful ideas among the members.

Officers were elected as follows: L. T. Mercer, president; L. M. Graves, vice-president; C. D. Sturm, secretary; A. W. Tetrick, treasurer; F. B. Haymaker, Orville Harrison and F. H. Burke, executive committeemen.

W. W. Hess, of Wyatt, was here last night.

DEMOCRATS ARE NOW IN CONTROL

FIVE TOWNS ARE HOLDING ELECTIONS

Officers to Serve the Next Twelve Months Are Being Chosen Today.

ADAMSTON, Jan. 7.—It is a free-for-all here today with four tickets in the field as follows:

Democratic Ticket—For mayor, Frank Clouson; for recorder, D. B. Fittro; for council, John Biddle, Clark Minter, E. Baxter, George Schutte and W. G. Clark.

Republican Ticket—For mayor, L. W. Flanagan; for recorder, Harry Bohlman; for council, George Schutte, John C. Biddle, John M. Skinner, L. D. Johnson and Berney Kierpan.

Citizens Ticket—For mayor, John E. Kidd; for recorder, J. C. Garrett; for council, L. D. Johnson, John M. Skinner, W. R. Hamrick, J. Neil Sehon and R. B. Ashcraft.

Common People's Ticket—For mayor, John E. Kidd; for recorder, J. C. Garrett; for council, John M. Skinner, L. D. Johnson, John C. Biddle, W. B. Ashcraft and J. Neil Sehon.

Two Tickets.

SHINNSTON, Jan. 7.—The two municipal tickets here today at the election are the Citizens and Republican. The former is headed by Walter S. Hursey for mayor, John W. Corder for recorder, and Henry Robinson, H. M. Martin, Fred King, Les-Hawker and G. F. Randall for council. H. T. Shinn heads the Republican ticket for mayor, John W. Corder for recorder, and John Rice, C. H. Hickenbottom, G. F. Lucas, Thomas Jarrett and L. E. Book for council.

WESTON Election. WESTON, Jan. 7.—The annual municipal election is being held today with two tickets in the field as follows:

Republican—For mayor, John W. Steinbock; for recorder, J. G. G. Heaven; for aldermen, J. C. Jordan, J. C. Wilson, J. C. Collins and W. P. Stewart.

Democratic—For mayor, Dr. George M. Hamilton; for recorder, Jackson Arnold; for aldermen, Whitson Hurst, William C. Weber, Lloyd Hefner and Reed Goe.

LUMBERPORT, Jan. 7.—The People's and Citizens tickets are running here. The Citizens ticket is lined up as follows: For mayor, George H. Robey; for recorder, Byron L. Cunningham; for council, Dr. C. P. Shirley, U. G. McCarty, Homer Hagerty, T. W. Martin and John Waters. The People's ticket is: For mayor, Dr. D. T. Crinkshank; for recorder, H. H. Roberts, and for council, John Walters, J. C. Lee, S. W. Humphreys, C. W. Preston and Wesley Knight.

Only One Ticket. WEST MILFORD, Jan. 7.—There is but one ticket here. It follows: For mayor, W. M. Lee; for recorder, George W. Sturm, and for councilmen, J. A. Fox, S. A. Vanhorn, J. B. Hoff, C. B. Morrison and Fred H. Sturm. The vote is light.

On Both Tickets. BRIDGEPORT, Jan. 7.—There are two tickets here, with J. D. Wilkinson for mayor and E. L. Fowler for recorder on both tickets. One ticket for council is composed of J. D. Lodge, G. B. Late, Lee Bartlett, F. B. Davison and R. E. L. Stout, and the other of J. W. Bartlett, S. L. Davison, G. W. Graves, A. J. Lodge and D. L. Curry.

In a Hotel Fire, Another Fatally Injured and One Badly Hurt.

WINCHESTER, Ky., Jan. 7.—H. L. Ella, of Cynthia, was burned to death, James Donahue of Winchester, fatally injured, and Miss Ballie Vea, of Lexington, badly hurt during a fire which destroyed the Fort View hotel early today. The loss is \$3,000.

LIQUOR DEALERS TO MEET

A meeting of the Harrison County Retail Liquor Dealers Protective Association will be held in Oak Hall Friday afternoon, beginning at 2 o'clock and all members of the same are urged to be present.

Of the Legislature of State of Indiana Which Convenes Today.

KERN A CANDIDATE

For United States Senator But Has Not Enough Votes to Elect Him.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Jan. 7.—The Indiana general assembly convened today and it promises to be one of the most interesting held in years. For the first time in eighteen years Democrats will be in control of the legislature and elect a successor to United States Senator Hemmaway. For this honor there are six candidates, and while a campaign has been on practically since the election it seems none of the aspirants have enough votes pledged to claim the victory.

Announced candidates are John W. Kern, L. Eert Slack, B. F. Shively, John E. Lamb, Major G. V. Menzies and Edward G. Hoffman. The three first named seem to have the largest following, yet it is admitted that unless a combination is formed none of these can win.

No time has been set for holding the senatorial caucus. Besides electing a senator legislation to repeal the county local option law, legalizing Sunday baseball in Indianapolis, and the repeal of the metropolitan police law are looked for.

Governor-elect Marshall will be inaugurated January 11.

FREE SERVICE

All the Way Through by Telegraph Companies to the Sufferers.

Manager U. W. Boggess of the local office of the Western Union Telegraph Company received this morning from Superintendent E. S. Saylor, of Pittsburg, the following additional information and instructions concerning the transmission free by telegraph companies of relief funds for the earthquake sufferers:

In addition to free service between points in this country heretofore authorized, messages to Italy relating to relief of Italian sufferers may now be accepted for free transmission to destination when offered by duly authorized relief committees or public officials.

SECOND YEAR

Of Medical Society's Post Graduate School Begins With Session Tonight.

The first weekly meeting of the second year of the Harrison County Medical Society's four-year post graduate school if instruction will be held in the society's rooms in the Empire building tonight and the following program will be observed:

Anatomy of the Heart—Dr. L. F. Kornmann and Dr. C. C. Slater. Physiology of the Heart—Dr. A. T. Post and Dr. B. F. Shuttleworth. Diseases of the Pericardium—Dr. William Gaston and Dr. J. H. Maloy.

Virgil L. Highland has returned from a visit in Washington.

PLOT IS DIVULGED AGAINST THE KING

BOCK KILLED

By a Train Near Chicago Where He Was a Telegraph Operator.

John A. Bock, Jr., son of Edgar Bock, formerly of Worthington but now of Farmington, is dead at Indiana Harbor, near Chicago, where he was employed as a telegraph operator. Word reaches here that he was killed by a train but no details have been sent. His father has gone to Chicago to bring the body home. The deceased was a nephew of John A. Bock, of Farmington, who also has a son named John. The deceased young man was 27 years of age and has many relatives in this county.

Miss Lucy Hoff, who visited at the home of Mrs. Lucy Davison on Oak street, returned to her home in West Milford today.

MORE TRUE BILLS BY GRAND JURY

ACQUITTED

Are Mrs. Erb and Sister for the Murder of the Former's Husband.

MEDIA, Pa., Jan. 7.—Mrs. M. Florence Erb and Mrs. Catherine Bessel, charged with the murder of Captain J. Clayton Erb, the former's husband, were acquitted today after the jury had been out nearly eighteen hours.

When the jury announced its verdict the sisters with half a scream fell into each other's arms. Both women were charged separately and jointly with shooting Erb.

WOMAN CASHIER

Is Arrested Charged With the Embezzlement of Money.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 7.—Miss Nellie O'Donnell, aged 30, former cashier and bookkeeper for the Schwartz, Child & Sulzberger Beef & Provision Company, was arrested today charged with embezzling \$4,000 while in the employ of the company.

SPECIAL SESSION

Of the City Council is to Be Held to Appoint Election Officers.

Mayor E. J. Wood has called a special session of the city council tonight.

Additional election officers are to be appointed, and also registration officers, as registration will be required for the bond election. It is likely the bond election date will be postponed thirty days as a consequence.

SUNDAY PAPER

Is To Be Launched at Morgantown by William Nern.

MORGANTOWN, Jan. 7.—William Nern, formerly business manager of new journalistic enterprises in Morgantown, proposes to establish a weekly and Sunday morning newspaper, with special Sunday features, a resume of the week's news, and the day's news between the afternoon issue of Saturday and the hour of publication on Sunday morning. Mr. Nern has selected the only field left open in the city and has already secured a number of subscribers and advertising patrons. The paper will be issued from one of the local plants equipped for work of this character.

ADVANCE SEAT SALE.

It is announced that the advance seat sale of reserved seats for "The Geisha," the Japanese opera to be staged at the Grand by local talent Monday night, will begin at the theatre box office Saturday morning.

Virgil L. Highland has returned from a visit in Washington.

Two for Felony and a Number for Misdemeanors Are Reported.

TRIAL DATES ARE SET

Two Plead Guilty and Are Fined and Others Enter Pleas of Not Guilty.

Two more felony and several misdemeanor indictments were returned in circuit court Thursday morning by the grand jury as follows:

Felonies. Peter Gallo, charged with breaking into a Baltimore & Ohio freight car and stealing merchandise therefrom. Philip Whitehair, Emmet White and Dillie and Thomas Riggs, charged with the theft of copper wire from the Madelia-Hill-Clark Coal Company.

Misdemeanors. Henry Fulmer, charged with assault on Cecil Casto, Anna Flint and Howard Allen and also for carrying a revolver.

Howard Allen, carrying revolver. Sell Griever, for carrying false knuckles.

William H. Harbert, alias W. H. Harbert, 2 cases, giving whiskey to Stanley Harbert, a minor.

William H. Harbert, alias W. H. Harbert, Grover Harbert and Jesse G. Harbert, for disturbance of a literary society meeting in the Nolen's Run school house.

Jesse G. Harbert for theft of overcoat from Cecil G. Fortney. Riley Ables for an assault on Guy Cross.

Norval Phillips, destroying public road.

Jessie G. Harbert, theft of suit of clothes from B. Frank Kincald. William H. Harbert, for disturbing literary society.

Jacob Meredith, for destroying public road.

TRIAL DATES SET.

Lewis Jones, colored, was arraigned to plead in two felony cases against him, both for the theft of horses, and the trial was set for next Wednesday.

The trial of Frank Lover, charged with stabbing Frank Whitlaur to death was set for January 30.

Russel Carter pleaded guilty to an assault, and was fined \$15 and costs. George Wiseman pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor and was fined \$15 and costs.

William Jones, on a felony and jointly indicted with Earle Boxdale, for the theft of six turkeys from Hugh Lyon, pleaded guilty, but sentence was reserved.

Chancery Orders

Chancery orders have been entered as follows:

Austin A. James vs. Sarah J. McClung et al., answer of Sarah J. McClung and Stella B. Gill filed.

Fernando A. Payish vs. South Penn Oil Company et al., notice ordered returned and filed with papers in the case, and injunction is continued.

James T. Drury, administrator, vs. Gertrude McDonald, report of the commissioner is approved and sale is decreed.

Hope Natural Gas Company vs. County Court of Harrison county et al., motion made for temporary injunction.

Thomas W. Keese vs. Worthy Hickman et al., sale is decreed.

Dulancy D. Powell vs. Eva Sandy Powell, divorce granted and custody of the children awarded to the plaintiff.

Duncan L. Despard vs. John H. Bramer et al., remanded in rules and continued.

William H. Carr vs. Charles and R. C. Davis, demurrer overruled.

John M. Batten vs. Dr. Adolphus Batten, leave to sue out execution.

Samuel Lewis et al. vs. Daniel Longeneck et al., report of sale confirmed.

COUNTY JUDGES

Reconvene and Look After Various Kinds of Business for the County.

The county court again today. A. C. Booth was appointed justice of the peace in Eagle district, in place of Dennis Blakel.

George W. Martin resigned as constable in Eagle district and Jerome S. Griffin was appointed to the vacancy. The latter qualified.

John Morris was exonerated of the payment of poll tax for last year.

LICENSE REFUSED

MOBILE, Ala., Jan. 7.—The state prohibition law was upheld here today when liquor license was refused in the local probate court.